

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, May 11, 1870.

President Don Campbell in the Chair.

Roll called.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Senator Douglas presented a memorial of certain citizens of Smith county, asking charter for ferries at King's Crossing, on Sabine river.

Read and referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Senator Douglas presented a bill to be entitled "An Act granting the right of way to John W. King to establish and operate a ferry at King's Crossing, on Sabine River.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Senator Ruby called the attention of the Chair to the fact that the hour had arrived for the executive session of the Senate.

Senate went into executive session.

In the Senate.

Senator Bowers moved that the Secretary be instructed to inform His Excellency, the Governor, that the Senate respectfully declines to advise and consent to the appointment of Joseph W. Talbot as Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Senator Baker made a point of order that the motion was not in order under the rules.

Senator Bowers moved a suspension of the rules to consider the motion.

Rules suspended, and motion carried.

Communication from the House, by the Chief Clerk, transmitting House Joint Resolution, No. 3, asking the Congress of the United States to prevent the republic of Mexico from harboring certain bands of hostile Indians, who devastate the south-western frontier of Texas.

Also, House Joint Resolution, No. 4, asking the government of the United States to improve the bars at Galveston, Pass Cavallo, Aransas Pass, Sabine Pass, and Brazos Santiago.

Laid over under the rules.

Senator Baker presented the report of Committee on Election, in case of Peterson vs. Dohoney.

Senator Parsons moved the report be made the special order of the day to-morrow at 12:30 P. M. Adopted.

The special committee of Senators Latimer, Priest and Clark reported the acceptance of the Senate Chamber by Mrs. Dr. Walker, who returned thanks to the Senate for the compliment paid to woman and her cause, and stated that she would be pleased to lecture on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Senator Fountain moved that the House concurrent resolution upon schedule of mileage be taken from the file, and the Senate concur in the same.

Carried; resolution read first time.

On motion of Senator Fountain, the rules were suspended and the resolution placed on its second reading and engrossment.

Senator Fountain moved a further suspension of the rules and the resolution be placed on its third reading and final passage.

Read third time and passed.

Under direction of the President the Secretary carried the same to the House, with the action of the Senate.

Communication from the Governor by the hands of his private Secretary, transmitting communication of J. T. Allen, late State Treasurer.

Senator Fountain moved the communication be referred to Committee on Finance.

So referred.

Senator Fountain introduced a bill entitled an act to appropriate fifteen thousand dollars to defray the contingent expenses of the 12th Legislature.

Read first time.

Senator Fountain moved suspension of rules; bill passed to engrossment, and further suspension of rules, and the bill passed to its third reading and final passage.

Read third time and passed.

The yeas and nays were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Alford, Bell, Baker, Bowers, Broughton, Cole, Dohoney, Douglas, Flanagan, Fountain, Gaines, Hall, Hertzberg, Mills, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Priest, Pridgen, Pyle, Rawson, Ruby, Saylor, Shannon—24.

Nays—None.

Senator Bowers introduced a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Austin Joint Stock Building Company.

Read first time, referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Hall moved adjournment till to-morrow at 11 A. M.

Carried.
